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Gerald Hascall, Plant Manager Sunnyside Cogeneration Associates P. O. Box 159 Sunnyside, Utah 84539

Subject: Proposed Assessment for State Violation No. N 10139, Star Point Refuse, C/007/0042,

Task ID #4587

Dear Mr. Hascall:

The undersigned has been appointed by the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining as the Assessment Officer for assessing penalties under R645-401.

Enclosed is the proposed civil penalty assessment for the above referenced violation. The violation was issued by Division Inspector, James Owen, on May 5, 2014. Rule R645-401-600 et. seq. has been utilized to formulate the proposed penalty. By these rules, any written information which was submitted by you or your agent within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this Notice of Violation has been considered in determining the facts surrounding the violation and the amount of penalty.

Under R645-401-700, there are two informal appeal options available to you:

1. If you wish to informally appeal the <u>fact of this violation</u>, you should file a written request for an Informal Conference within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. This conference will be conducted by the Division Director. This Informal Conference is distinct from the Assessment Conference regarding the proposed penalty.



2. If you wish to review the proposed penalty assessment, you should file a written request for an Assessment Conference within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. If you are also requesting a review of the fact of violation, as noted in paragraph 1, the Assessment Conference will be scheduled immediately following that review.

If a timely request for review is not made, the fact of violation will stand, the proposed penalty(ies) will become final, and the penalty(ies) will be due and payable within thirty (30) days of the proposed assessment. Please remit payment to the Division, mail c/o Suzanne Steab.

Sincerely,

Joseph C. Helfrich Assessment Officer

Enclosure

cc: OSM Compliance Report Suzanne Steab, DOGM

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WORKSHEET FOR ASSESSMENT OF PENALTIES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING

COM	IPANY .	/ MINE	Star Point Refuse				
PERI	MIT <u>C</u> /	<u>/007/004</u>	NOV / CO	# <u>N 10139</u>	VIOLATION1_ of1		
ASSI	ESSME	NT DAT	TE June 23, 2014				
ASSI	ESSME	NT OFF	ICER Joe Helfrich	<u>-</u> _			
I.	HISTORY (Max. 25 pts.)						
	A.	Are there previous violations, which are not pending or vacated, which fall one (1) year of today=s date?					
	PREV	VIOUS V	VIOLATIONS	EFFECTIVE DATE	POINTS		
							
	1 point for each past violation, up to one (1) year 5 points for each past violation in a CO, up to one (1) year No pending notices shall be counted						
				TOT	AL HISTORY POINTS 0		
II.	SERIOUSNESS (Either A or B)						
	NOTE:		For assignment of points in Parts II and III, the following apply:				
		1.	Based on facts supplied by the inspector, the Assessment Officer will determine within each category where the violation falls.				
		2.	•	p or down, utilizing the i	the Assessment Officer will nspector=s and operator=s		
		Is this	an EVENT (A) or HINDRANCE (B) violation? Event				
	A.	EVEN	IT VIOLATION (M	1ax 45 pts.)			
		1.	What is the event v	which the violated standa	ard was designed to prevent?		

The event would probably be in the category of other since the purpose of the diversion ditch is to prevent off site impacts to the areas adjacent to the refuse pile such as air, water soils and vegetation.

2. What is the probability of the occurrence of the event which a violated standard was designed to prevent?

PROBABILITY	<u>RANGE</u>
None	0
Unlikely	1-9
Likely	10-19
Occurred	20

ASSIGN PROBABILITY OF OCCURRENCE POINTS _0

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS:

***According to the information in the inspector statement, the operator failed to maintain the diversion ditch around the refuse pile, this resulted in runoff flowing on to the refuse pile. Therefore the probability of occurrence of the described events is none.

3. What is the extent of actual or potential damage?

RANGE 0-25

In assigning points, consider the duration and extent of said damage or impact, in terms of area and impact on the public or environment.

ASSIGN DAMAGE POINTS <u>0</u>

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS:

*** According to the information in the inspector statement, no damage occurred as a result of the violation

- B. HINDRANCE VIOLATION (Max 25 pts.)
 - 1. Is this a POTENTIAL or ACTUAL hindrance to enforcement? Actual RANGE 0-25

Assign points based on the extent to which enforcement is actually or potentially hindered by the violation.

ASSIGN	HINDRANCE	POINTS	

PROVIDE	AN EX	KPLANA	TION	OF	POIN	ΓS:

TOTAL SERIOUSNESS POINTS (A or B)_____

III. <u>NEGLIGENCE</u> (Max 30 pts.)

A. Was this an inadvertent violation which was unavoidable by the exercise of reasonable care? IF SO--NO NEGLIGENCE; or, was this a failure of a permittee to prevent the occurrence of a violation due to indifference lack of diligence, or lack of reasonable care, or the failure to abate any violation due to the same? IF SO--GREATER DEGREE OF FAULT THAN NEGLIGENCE.

No Negligence

0

Negligence

1-15

Greater Degree of Fault

16-30

STATE DEGREE OF NEGLIGENCE Greater Degree of Fault

ASSIGN NEGLIGENCE POINTS 8

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS:

*** According to the information in the inspector statement, the violation occurred as a result of lack of reasonable care by the permittee.

IV. GOOD FAITH (Max 20 pts.)

(Either A or B)

(Does not apply to violations requiring no abatement measures)

A. Did the operator have onsite, the resources necessary to achieve compliance of the violated standard within the permit area?

IF SO--EASY ABATEMENT

Easy Abatement Situation

X Immediate Compliance

-11 to -20*

(Immediately following the issuance of the NOV)

X Rapid Compliance

-1 to -10

(Permittee used diligence to abate the violation)

X Normal Compliance

0

(Operator complied within the abatement period required) (Operator complied with condition and/or terms of approved Mining and Reclamation Plan)

B. Did the permittee not have the resources at hand to achieve compliance, or does the situation require the submission of plans prior to physical activity to achieve compliance?

IF SO--DIFFICULT ABATEMENT

^{*}Assign in upper of lower half of range depending on abatement occurring the 1st or 2nd half of abatement period.

Difficult Abatement Situation

X Rapid Compliance -11 to -20*
(Permittee used diligence to abate the violation)

X Normal Compliance -1 to -10*

(Operator complied within the abatement period required)

X Extended Compliance

(Permittee took minimal actions for abatement to stay within the limits of the NOV or the violated standard of the plan submitted for abatement was incomplete) (Permittee complied with conditions and/or terms of approved Mining and Reclamation Plan)

EASY OR DIFFICULT ABATEMENT? Difficult, plans were required

ASSIGN GOOD FAITH POINTS 8

PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION OF POINTS:

***The permittee exercised diligence in abating the violation.

V. <u>ASSESSMENT SUMMARY</u>

NOTICE OF VIOLATION # N 10139

I.	TOTAL HISTORY POINTS	0
II.	TOTAL SERIOUSNESS POINTS	0
III.	TOTAL NEGLIGENCE POINTS	8
IV.	TOTAL GOOD FAITH POINTS	8
	TOTAL ASSESSED POINTS	0_

TOTAL ASSESSED FINE \$0

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